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Dear Mr. Robert Winogron,

## **RE: Letter of Support**

The Peguis First Nation offers its support for the Indian Day School Class Action settlement. The settlement is long overdue. Our people have been waiting since the IRS settlement for some degree of justice for the damage done to them in Indian Day Schools. Many of our community members who attended these schools have passed away. We should not wait any longer. This settlement is the best opportunity for our people to receive compensation and begin to recover.

Recognition for these harms is an important issue for community members and their families. For those who attended a Residential School and a Day School, the settlement will help complete that needed recognition. There is a long road ahead in our healing journey, but this agreement will help to begin the process.

Gowling WLG has been responsive to our requests and provides clarity where we have questions. We encourage you to move ahead aggressively to get approval of this settlement.

Sincerely,

Councillor Mary T. Bear

for

Chief Glenn Hudson